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OFFICIAL RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

MAIL STOP AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed August 9, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this submission.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this submission.